(*c*) What is the amount of contribution and water rate that might have accrued to Government by the above arrangement?

(*d*) Why was no water given?

(*e*) Is it not a loss to Government?

(*f*) Is there no idea of giving water immediately to this additional extent of lands?

(*g*) When will this be done?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—13. (*a*) The object was to conserve some water in the tank for the use of the town and also to irrigate some high level lands.

(*b*) 39 acres.

(*c*) Increased revenue of Rs. 195, but no contribution.

(*d*) to (*g*) The sluice has been completed, but the Hikkal Channel was left to be opened by the raiyats. The matter is still under consideration between the Public Works and the Revenue Departments.

Supplementary Question and Answer.

Mr. G. Mallanna.—

Have not the landholders under this tank agreed to pay contribution?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

The raiyats are said to have executed *mutchalikas* before the Amildar and we have addressed the Deputy Commissioner in the matter. It is our object to expedite the matter.

MESSRS. K. V. VEERANNA (Chamarajanagar Taluk); M. C. LINGE GOWDA (Mandya Taluk); G. MALLANNA (Mysore Taluk); S. THIMME GOWDA (Special Interests); S. C. MALLIAH (Mandya Taluk); B. CHENNAPPA and B. SIDDALINGA SETTY (Yedatore Taluk); MIR RAZALI SAHIB (Periyapatna Sub-Taluk); H. HONNAIYA (Mandya Taluk); T. MARIAPPA (Minorities); K. DHANAKOTI SETTY (Special Interests); K. VENKATASUBBA SETTY (Chamarajanagar Municipality); KULLE GOWDA (Seringapatam Taluk); K. NAGANNA (Yelandur Taluk); H. C. DASAPPA (Special Interests); MAHOMED SAIT (Minorities); PUTTASWAMI GOWDA and H. K. MADAIYA

(Malvalli Taluk); RANGADASAIYA and M. C. CHELUVIAH (Minorities); R. DEVAIYA (Mysore Taluk); H. V. HANUMANTHA SETTY (Hunsur Taluk); PUTTASWAMIAH (Chamarajanagar Taluk); SAVANDIAH (Mysore Taluk); C. DASAPPA (Heggaddevankote Taluk); GURUKAR NANJAPPA (Gundlupet Taluk); K. M. KRISHNAPPA GOWDA (Nagamangala Taluk); B. S. PUTTASWAMY (T.-Narsipur Taluk); M. SUBBAIYA (Seringapatam Municipality); H. R. T. RAJAGOPALA MUDALIAR (Hunsur Taluk); IBRHIM KHAN (Hunsur Municipality) and SIVANANJE GOWDA (Seringapatam Taluk).—

Q.—14. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) What was the capacity of Heraganahalli Tank, Bindiganavale Hobli, Nagamangala Taluk, at the time of its construction and what was the *atchkat* it was expected to irrigate at the time?

(*b*) What is the area of *atchkat*, both wet and *bagayet*, under the tank now?

(*c*) What is the *jamabandi* of the lands under the *atchkat*?

(*d*) Is it not a fact that the capacity of the tank is insufficient to irrigate the entire *atchkat* and have there not been a number of petitions complaining about the same, and praying for the reduction of wet *atchkat* or for improving the capacity of the tank?

(*e*) If so, what steps have Government taken in the matter?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—14. (*a*) Capacity .... 263 units.

Atchkat.—

Wet .... 532 acres.

Garden .... 23 „

Total .... 555 „

(*b*)

	A.	G.
Wet	424	25
Garden	143	7
Total	567	32

(*c*) Rs. 2,795–4–0.

(*d*) The capacity cannot be considered insufficient as the yield from the catchment is so large as to make it fill more than twice and leave surplus besides.

(*e*) Does not arise.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—
How long will the Government take to restore the tank?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—
Cannot say.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—
What is the difference in the capacity then and now?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—
The original capacity has been given in the answer. The present capacity cannot be known until we carry out a survey.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—
What is the basis on which 555 acres were fixed as the *atchkat* under the tank?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—
It is not possible to say that off-hand.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—
What is the acreage that can be cultivated with one unit of water?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—
It is not possible to say that. It all depends on the watersupply. If the tank fills once, the water will be sufficient for 560 acres. If it fills twice, a larger area can be cultivated.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—
Have the Government obtained a report about the present condition of cultivation under the tank?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—
The present supply is reported to be sufficient for cultivating the entire *atchkat*.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—
Have there not been a number of petitions to Government complaining that the capacity of the tank is insufficient to irrigate the entire *atchkat*?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

No such complaints have been received by Government.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—

Did the department make any inquiries ?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

It is as a result of the inquiry that the reply is given here.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—

In view of the fact that the answer given in (*d*) is rather vague, will a further inquiry be made ?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

We shall make inquiries again.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—

Is it not a fact that owing to insufficiency of water, wet cultivation is giving place to *bagayet* ?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

It may be that *bagayet* cultivation is more remunerative.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—

How many times has this tank filled during the past 3 years ?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

Notice.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—

Are Government aware that the people of 7 villages have been repeatedly urging for the reduction of the *atchkat* or, in the alternative, for the levy of only *bagayet* assessment ?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

Government have not received any such representations from the raiyats.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—

If such applications are received hereafter, will the Government consider them favourably ?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

They will inquire into the matter and take suitable action.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—

Are Government aware that half the tank is silted up?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

No.

Mr. T. Mariappa.—

Will a report be called for from the Assistant Engineer of Nagamangala?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

Yes.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

If, owing to the silt, the capacity of the tank has been reduced, will the supply be adequate to irrigate all the lands included in the *atchkat*?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

It will be possible if the tank fills twice.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

In case all the *atchkat* cannot be cultivated with wet crops, will the Government be pleased to reduce the *atchkat* and convert a portion into dry?

First Member of Council.—

The raiyats are not likely to agree to that. If all agree, it can be done. Government have not received any such petition. If they receive any, the matter will be inquired into.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

Several petitions have been sent to the revenue authorities, but no action has been taken by them. Will the Government take notice of the conduct of the officers responsible for the delay?

Dewan.—

Specific cases of delay may be brought to the notice of Government.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

May I know how soon this question will be inquired into?

Dewan.—

If the matter is not disposed of within a month from now, the members or the raiyats concerned may address the Government direct.

REPRESENTATIONS—(*Continued*).

Subjects Nos. 10 and 11 were taken up together.

No. 10.—Exempting the levy of notice, *isthihar* and other fees on land revenue for a period of five years.

Messrs. D. S. Mallappa, Tiptur Taluk, and G. K. Mallappa, Tiptur Municipality.

No. 11.—Non-recovery of notice fees, etc.

Messrs. B. P. Basappa Setty and Ramappa Gowda, Chikmagalur Taluk, and Manje Gowda, Mudgere Taluk.

MR. D. S. MALLAPPA represented that owing to the continued economic depression, the raiyats were finding it hard to pay the land revenue assessment itself. Notwithstanding this, the collection of notice, distraint and *isthihar* fees had not yet been stopped. They were all extra taxes on the raiyats which they were unable to bear. He therefore said that it would be a great help if the recovery of all penal fees and also the upset price were waived for a period of five years.

THE FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL explained that certain concessions had already been sanctioned by Government in the matter of levying these fees and given effect to.

MR. MALLAPPA pointed out that they were not reaching the people and that collections were being made as usual.

THE SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL said that orders had been issued directing the continuance, in deserving cases, of the concession regarding the waiving of sale proclamation and process fees and also interest on arrears and that if effect had not been given to the concessions in any place, the matter might be brought to the notice of the Deputy Commissioner concerned.

MR. MALLAPPA said that the complaint was common to all the districts.

THE FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL said that he had just spoken to the Revenue Commissioner about the matter and